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About Seattle CityClub

For more than 40 years, Seattle CityClub has served as a trusted, nonpartisan forum for civic dialogue in the Pacific Northwest. Founded in 1980, the organization was created to bring people together across differences to explore the issues shaping our region.

Today, CityClub continues that legacy by producing programs that inform and engage the public in meaningful conversations about democracy, public policy, and community life.

At a time when civic discourse can feel increasingly fragmented, Seattle CityClub offers something rare: **a space grounded in curiosity, respect, and the belief that informed communities are stronger communities.**

Through live events, debates, and accessible programming, CityClub connects journalists, policymakers, business leaders, and everyday residents to the ideas and conversations that define Seattle's civic landscape.

Civic Cocktail

Seattle CityClub's signature program, **Civic Cocktail**, is where civic conversation meets community connection. Held monthly in downtown Seattle, **these gatherings bring together leading voices—from elected officials and journalists to industry experts and community advocates—for dynamic, real-time discussions on the issues shaping the region.**

Each program is thoughtfully curated to reflect timely topics, from public safety and housing to artificial intelligence and climate policy. The format typically features moderated conversations, audience Q&A, and opportunities for attendees to engage directly with speakers. For journalists, Civic Cocktail offers a front-row seat to the perspectives and debates driving Seattle's civic agenda, often surfacing insights and storylines before they reach broader headlines.



Legislative Preview

Each year, Seattle CityClub convenes one of its most anticipated programs: **Legislative Preview**. This event brings together leadership from both sides of the aisle in the Washington State Legislature for a candid, forward-looking conversation about the upcoming session.

Moderated by respected journalists, the program explores key policy priorities, political dynamics, and the real-world impact of legislation on communities across the state. Legislative Preview has become a must-attend moment for civic leaders, policy professionals, and media alike—**offering rare access to bipartisan dialogue in a structured, substantive setting.**

For reporters covering state politics, the program serves as both a pulse check and a launch point for the legislative session ahead.





DEBATES & COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING

Seattle CityClub has a long-standing history of hosting candidate debates that inform voters and elevate civic participation. From city council races to statewide offices, these debates are designed to provide fair, balanced platforms where candidates can present their views and engage directly with the public.

In past partnerships with organizations like GSBA, Formidable, and local media outlets, CityClub's debates are widely attended and often livestreamed, ensuring accessibility for audiences across the region. **The organization's commitment to nonpartisanship and thoughtful moderation has made its debates a trusted resource for voters seeking clarity in an increasingly complex political landscape.**

Beyond debates, CityClub produces a range of community-centered programs throughout the year. These include topical forums, issue-based panels, and special events that explore everything from education and transportation to emerging technologies and civic health. **Each program is designed with the same goal: to foster informed dialogue and strengthen civic engagement across Greater Seattle.**






CONTACT & MEDIA INFORMATION

Seattle CityClub welcomes media participation and engagement across its programs. **Press tickets are typically available for Civic Cocktail, Legislative Preview, debates, and select special events.**

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